

## **HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR EMBOSSING PLATES**

After production has ceased, the plates should be removed carefully from the cylinders and stored preferably in the inside of a roll core, with the curvature of the plate in the same direction as they were when on the cylinders.

Once inside, the core should then be placed inside a bag or envelope blocking any light from the plates, and kept as close as possible to room temperature.

Plates which are exposed to fluorescent light in excess of 24 hours are more likely to dry out and crack.

We would expect that plates stored in this fashion should last approximately 12 months from manufacturing.

Smaller cylinder sizes will have the most likelihood of cracking due to the curvature stressing the material, the larger the initial cylinder size the life will be significantly extended.